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United States: AREVA Receives NRC Approval for Safety-Related Digital I&C System

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AREVA today announced that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has granted approval for the digital Instrumentation & Controls (I&C) system upgrade of a U.S. nuclear station. AREVA is the first and only supplier to receive NRC approval for full application of a safety-related digital I&C system.

“This NRC approval represents a major milestone for the U.S. nuclear industry,” said Mike Rencheck, Chief Operating Officer, AREVA Inc. “The approval is the culmination of a rigorous and systematic review process by the NRC of our global digital I&C technology (TELEPERM XS™). Now that it is complete, a digital I&C benchmark is available for the entire nuclear industry.”

The Safety-Related Digital I&C System TELEPERM XSTM is included in the design for new nuclear plants, like the EPR™ reactor, as well as for the upgrading and modernization of existing plants of virtually all types and from all main suppliers. Worldwide 55 units have implemented or ordered TELEPERM XS™ systems since its first installation more than 10 years ago.

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Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering covers every stage of the fuel cycle, reactor design and construction, and related services.

In addition, the group is developing a portfolio of operations in renewable energies. AREVA is also a world leader in electricity transmission and distribution and offers its customers a complete range of solutions for greater grid stability and energy efficiency.

Sustainable development is a core component of the group's industrial strategy. Its 75,000 employees work every day to make AREVA a responsible industrial player that is helping to supply ever cleaner, safer and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.

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As the leading U.S. nuclear vendor and a key player in the renewable energy and electricity transmission and distribution sectors, AREVA Inc.'s 6,000 U.S. energy employees are committed to serving the nation and paving the way for the future of the electricity market. With 45 locations across the nation and nearly \$2 billion in energy revenues in 2008, AREVA Inc., through its subsidiaries, combines U.S. leadership, access to worldwide expertise and a proven track record of performance. In the U.S. and in more than 100 countries around the world, AREVA is engaged in the 21st century's greatest challenges: making energy available to all, protecting the planet, and acting responsibly toward future generations. AREVA Inc. is headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland. Visit us at <http://us.aveva.com> or follow us at [Twitter](#).